MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS

MORRICE, MICHIGAN

AUDIT REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

TABLE OF CONTENTS

	PAGE
Report of Independent Accountants	I
Management's Discussion and Analysis	II - VIII
Basic Financial Statements:	
Government-wide Financial Statements:	
Statement of Net Assets	1
Statement of Activities	2
Fund Financial Statements:	
Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds	3
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	4
Fiduciary Fund	
Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets	5
Statement Of Changes In Fiduciary Net Assets	6
Notes to the Financial Statements	7 – 17
Required Supplementary Information	
Budgetary Comparison Schedules:	
General Fund	18
Other Supplemental Information	
Combining Statements – Nonmajor Funds:	
Combining Balance Sheet – Nonmajor Governmental Funds	19
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Nonmajor Governmental Funds	20
Combining Balance Sheet – Special Revenue Fund	21
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Special Revenue Fund	22
Combining Balance Sheet - Debt Retirement Fund	23
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Debt Retirement Fund	24
Individual Schedules of Revenues, Expenditures and Other Financing Uses:	
Schedule 1 - General Fund - Schedule of Revenues	25
Schedule 2 - General Fund - Schedule of Expenditures	26 - 29
Schedule 3 - Trust and Agency Fund - Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements - Student Activities	30 - 31
Schedule 4 - Trust and Agency Fund - Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements - Trust Funds	32 - 33
Schedule 5 - Schedule of Bond Principal and Interest Requirements	34 - 35
Report on Compliance and on Internal Control over Financial Reporting Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with <i>Government Auditing Standards</i>	36



Lewis & Knopf, CPAs, P.C.

"Serving You with Trust and Integrity"

November 5, 2004

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Education of Morrice Area Schools

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Morrice Area Schools as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, which collectively comprise the Morrice Area Schools' basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Morrice Area Schools management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Morrice Area Schools as of June 30, 2004, and the respective changes in financial position, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated November 5, 2004, on our consideration of the Morrice Area Schools' internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

As described in Note 1, the School District has implemented a new financial reporting model, as required by the provisions of the GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments, as of July 1, 2003.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages II through VIII and 18, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Morrice Area Schools' basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

LEWIS & KNOPF, P.C.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Morrice Area Schools, a K-12 school District located in Shiawassee County, Michigan, is in its first year of implementation of the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 34 (GASB 34) with the enclosed financial statements. The Administration's Discussion and Analysis, a requirement of GASB 34, is intended to be the Morrice Area Schools' Administration's discussion and analysis of the financial results for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004.

Generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) according to GASB 34 requires the reporting of two types of financial statements: District Wide Financial Statements and Fund Financial Statements.

Fund Financial Statements:

The School District's fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds – not the School District as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State law and by bond covenants. However, the School District establishes many other funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes (the Food Service and Athletics Funds are examples) or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using certain taxes, grants, and other money (such as bond-funded construction funds used for voter-approved capital projects). The governmental funds of the School District use the following accounting approach:

Governmental funds – All of the School District's services are reported in governmental funds. Governmental fund reporting focuses on showing how money flows into and out of funds and the balances left at year end are available for spending. They are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the operations of the School District and the services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the School District's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) and governmental funds in a reconciliation.

In the fund financial statements, purchased capital assets are reported as expenditures in the year of acquisition. No asset is reported. The issuance of debt is recorded as a financial resource. The current year's payments of principal and interest on long term obligations are recorded as expenditures. Future year's debt obligations are not recorded.

District Wide Financial Statements:

The District wide financial statements are full accrual basis statements. They report all of the District's assets and liabilities, both short and long term, regardless if they are "currently available" or not. For example, assets that are restricted for use in the Debt Funds solely for the payment of long term principal or interest are grouped with unrestricted assets of the General Fund. Capital assets and obligations of the District are reported in the Statement of Net Assets of the District wide financial statements.

One of the most important questions asked about the School District is, "As a whole, what is the School District's financial condition as a result of the year's activities?" The statement of net assets and the statement of activities, which appear first in the School District's financial statements, report information on the School District as a whole and its activities in a way that helps you answer this question. We prepare these statements to include all assets and liabilities, using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

District Wide Financial Statements: (Continued)

These two statements report the Morrice Area Schools net assets – the difference between assets and liabilities, as reported in the statement of net assets – as one way to measure the School District's financial health or financial position. Over time, increases or decreased in the School District's net assets – as reported in the statement of activities – are indicators of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. The relationship between revenues and expenses is the School District's operating results. However, the School District's goal is to provide services to our students, not to generate profits as commercial entities do. One must consider many other nonfinancial factors, such as the quality of the education provided and the safety of the schools, to assess the overall health of the School District.

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities report the governmental activities for the School District, which encompasses all of the School District's services, including instruction, support services, community services, athletics, and food services. Property taxes, unrestricted State aid (foundation allowance revenue), and State and federal grants finance most of these activities.

The School District as Trustee - Reporting the School District's Fiduciary Responsibilities

The School District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for its student activity funds and its private purpose trust funds. All of the School District's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate statement of fiduciary net assets. We exclude these activities from the School District's other financial statements because the School District cannot use these assets to finance its operations. The School District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes.

SUMMARY OF NET ASSETS:

The following summarizes the net assets at the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004:

NET ASSETS SUMMARY

	2004
<u>ASSETS</u>	
Current Assets	\$1,678,142
Non-Current Assets	1,520,018
TOTAL ASSETS	\$3,198,160
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Current Liabilities	\$1,515,793
Long-Term Liabilities	904,953
Total Liabilities	\$2,420,746
NET ASSETS	
Invested in Capital Assets - Net of Related Debt	526,845
Restricted - Debt Service	52,475
Unrestricted	198,094
Total Net Assets	\$777,414
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$3,198,160

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS:

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004, the District wide results of operations were:

	2004
REVENUES	
General Revenues:	
Property Taxes Levied for General Operations	\$127,408
Property Taxes Levied for Debt Service	172,292
State of Michigan Unrestricted Foundation Aid	4,259,520
Other General Revenues	27,186
Total General Revenues	\$4,586,406
Operating Grants:	
Federal	161,645
State of Michigan	428,068
Other Operating Grants	97,438
Total Operating Grants	\$687,151
Charges for Services:	
Food Service	127,976
Athletics	30,260
Other Charges for Services	29,948_
Total Charges for Services	\$188,184
Total Revenues	\$5,461,741
EXPENSES	
Instruction & Instructional Support	3,357,483
Support Services	1,854,413
Food Service	206,247
Athletics	45,110
Interest on Long-Term Debt	60,223
Depreciation	112,631
Total Expenses	\$5,636,107
(DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	(\$174,366)
BEGINNING NET ASSETS	951,780
ENDING NET ASSETS	\$777,414

GOVERNMENT- WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Analysis of Financial Position:

During the year ended June 30, 2004, the District's Total Net Assets decreased by \$174,366 to a total of \$777,414. The largest portion of the net assets are the District's investment in capital assets. Net assets (invested in capital assets, net of related debt) increased by \$5,865 as the payments of long-term debt exceeded increases in long-term debt and depreciation. The districts Unrestricted Net Assets decreased by \$185,003 during the year and the restricted portion of the net assets increased by \$4,772. The restricted Net Assets consist of the Investment in Capital Assets-net of related debt and the restricted debt retirement funds that may only be used to pay bonded debt. The unrestricted net assets may be used to fund the educational services provided to students.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Analysis of Financial Position

The focus of the District's governmental funds is to provide information on near term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the district's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a governments net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year. An analysis of changes for the governmental funds is as follows:

General Fund

The district's general fund is the chief operating fund of the district. Unreserved fund balance for the general fund decreased by \$188,250 during the year with the decrease coming primarily in cash. Revenues for the year decreased by \$178,166, primarily from a reduction in state revenue. Expenditures and other financing uses increased by \$52,773, primarily from increased cost of salaries and fringe benefits. The major source of general fund revenues is state aid and taxes. An analysis of them is as follows:

1. State of Michigan Unrestricted Aid (Net State Foundation Grant)

The State of Michigan aid, unrestricted, is determined with the following variables:

- a. State of Michigan State Aid Act per student foundation allowance
- Student Enrollment Blended at 80 percent of current year's fall count and 20 percent of prior year's winter count
- c. The District's non-homestead tax levy.

2. Per Student, Foundation Allowance:

Annually, the State of Michigan establishes the per student foundation allowance. The Morrice Area Schools foundation allowance was \$6,700 per student for the 2003-2004 school year, the same as the prior year. The foundation allowance was decreased by \$74 per student from \$6,700 to \$6,626 as the result of an executive order by the governor.

3. Student Enrollment:

The District's blended student enrollment for state aid purposes was 706 students. A decrease of 20 students from the prior year.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (Continued)

Analysis of Financial Position (Continued)

General Fund (Continued)

4. Property Taxes Levied For General Operations (General Fund Non-Homestead Taxes)

The District levies 18 mills of property taxes for operations (General Fund) on Non-Homestead Properties. Under Michigan law, the taxable levy is based on the taxable valuation of properties. Annually, the taxable valuation increase in property values is capped at the rate of the prior year's CPI increase or 5 percent, whichever is less. At the time of sale, a property's taxable valuation is readjusted to the State Equalized Value, which is, theoretically, 50 percent of the market value.

The District's non-homestead property tax revenue for the 2003-2004 fiscal year was \$127,408.

Debt Retirement Fund

The districts debt retirement fund balance increased by \$4,772. The fund balance is restricted to use for payments on bonded debt. The funds had expenditures of \$167,520 in paying the required interest and principal payments of the school's bonded debt. The majority of the funds revenue is derived from tax collections. An analysis of them is as follows:

1. <u>Debt Fund Property and Industrial Facility In Lieu of Taxes</u>

The District's debt fund levy, which is used to pay the principal and interest on bond obligations, is based on the taxable valuation of all properties: homestead and non-homestead. In addition, the District collects IFT (Industrial Facilities Taxes) In Lieu of Taxes that are essentially taxed at 50 percent of the regular tax rate.

For 2003-2004, the District's debt millage levy was 2.04 mills that generated revenue of \$172,292.

Special Revenue Funds

The districts special revenue funds provide food service and athletic opportunities to students. During the year the fund balances increased by \$6,160.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS:

GENERAL FUND BUDGET VS. ACTUAL

				Variance Original & Final	Variance Actual
Fiscal Year	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Budget %	& Final Budget %
Revenue	\$5,195,433	\$5,195,433	\$5,035,752	0.00%	-3.07%
Expenditures	5,436,254	5,367,641	5,224,002	-1.26%	2.68%
<u>TOTAL</u>	(\$240,821)	(\$172,208)	(\$188,250)		

ANALYSIS OF BUDGETS:

The Uniform Budget Act of the State of Michigan requires that the local Board of Education approve the original budget for the upcoming fiscal year prior to July 1, the start of the fiscal year.

As a matter of practice, Morrice Area Schools amends its budget during the school year. The June, 2004 budget amendment was the final budget for the fiscal year.

Original vs. Final Budgets

Revenues

There was no change between original and final budgets.

Expenditures

Instruction expenditures were reduced between the original and final budgets.

Actual Results vs. Final Budgets

Revenues

Significant differences between actual results and final revenue budgets were primarily from reduced state revenue.

Expenditures

Actual expenditures were less than budgeted expenditures due to cost reduction in many areas with no one significant area.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

A. <u>Debt, Principal Payments</u>

The District made principal payments on bonded, long term debt obligations that reduced the amount of the District's long term liabilities as follows:

	Principal		Principal	Principal
	Balance	Increases	Payments	Balance
	7-1-03	6-30-04	6-30-04	6-30-04
General Obligation & Durant Bonds	\$1,132,278	\$0	\$190,000	\$942,278
Capital Lease Payable	0	76,342	25,447	50,895
Compensated Absences	36,570	0	4,790	31,780
Total Long-Term Debt	\$1,168,848	\$76,342	\$220,237	\$1,024,953

The district obtained 98 computers on a capital lease.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION: (Continued)

B. Capital Assets

The district's net investment in capital assets decreased by \$133,240 during the fiscal year. This can be summarized as follows:

	BALANCE			BALANCE
	JULY 1, 2003	ADDITIONS	DEDUCTIONS	JUNE 30, 2004
Capital Assets	\$5,179,448	\$0	\$0	\$5,179,448
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(3,526,190)	(133,240)	0	(3,659,430)
Net Investment Capital Outlay	\$1,653,258	(\$133,240)	\$0	\$1,520,018

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens and taxpayers with a general overview of the District's finances. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact the Business Office, Morrice Area Schools.

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS JUNE 30, 2004

	Governmental Activities
<u>ASSETS</u>	
CURRENT ASSETS	Φ 72 4 500
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$734,598
Due from Other Governmental Units Inventory	935,442 8,102
Total Current Assets	\$1,678,142
Total Cultent Assets	\$1,076,142
NON-CURRENT ASSETS	
Capital Assets	5,179,448
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(3,659,430)
Total Noncurrent Assets	\$1,520,018
TOTAL ASSETS	\$3,198,160
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>	44.7.620
Accounts Payable	115,653
State Aid Anticipation Note Payable	900,000
Accrued Expenses Salaries Payable	7,703 372,437
Current Portion of Long-Term Obligations	120,000
Total Current Liabilities	\$1,515,793
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Noncurrent Portion of Long-Term Obligations	904,953
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$2,420,746
NET ASSETS	
NET ASSETS	
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	526,845
Restricted for: Debt Service	50 175
Unrestricted	52,475 198,094
Omesureicu	198,094
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$777,414

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES JUNE 30, 2004

		Program Revenues		Net (Expense)
		Chamas Fan	Operating	Revenue &
ELINCTIONS/DDOCD AMS	Evenouses	Charges For	Grants and	Change in
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Net Assets
Governmental Activities:	#2.257.402	Φ0	Φ50 7.42 0	(#2.050.044)
Instruction	\$3,357,483	\$0	\$507,439	(\$2,850,044)
Support Services	1,854,413	29,948	101,708	(1,722,757)
Food Service	206,247	127,976	78,004	(267)
Athletics	45,110	30,260	0	(14,850)
Interest on Long-Term Obligations	60,223	0	0	(60,223)
Depreciation - Unallocated	112,631	0	0	(112,631)
TOTALS	\$5,636,107	\$188,184	\$687,151	(\$4,760,772)
General Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Property Taxes, Levie	d for General Purpos	es		299,700
State Aid				4,259,520
Investment Earnings				3,151
Miscellaneous				24,035
Total General Revenue	es and Transfers			\$4,586,406
Change in Net Assets				(\$174,366)
Net Assets - Beginning -	- As Restated			951,780
Net Assets - Ending				\$777,414

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2004

ASSETS Cash and Cash Equivalents Due from Other Funds Due from Other Governmental Units Inventory	General Fund \$651,809 0 934,183 0	Other Governmental Funds \$82,789 7,724 1,259 8,102	Total Governmental Funds \$734,598 7,724 935,442 8,102
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,585,992	\$99,874	\$1,685,866
LIABILITIES Accounts Payable State Aid Anticipation Note Payable Due to Other Funds Salaries Payable	\$115,653 900,000 7,724 372,437	\$0 0 0	\$115,653 900,000 7,724 372,437
Total Liabilities	\$1,395,814	\$0	\$1,395,814
FUND BALANCES Reserved For: Inventory Debt Retirement Unreserved:	0 0	8,102 52,475	8,102 52,475
Undesignated, Reported In: General Fund School Service Funds Total Fund Balances	190,178 0 \$190,178	0 39,297 \$99,874	190,178 39,297 \$290,052
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$1,585,992	\$99,874	\$1,685,866

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES JUNE 30, 2004

Total Governmental Fund Balances:	\$290,052
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds. The cost of the assets is \$5,179,448 and the	
accumulated depreciation is \$3,659,430	1,520,018
Accrued Interest on Long-Term Debt	(7,703)
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds. Long-term liabilities at year end consist of:	
Bonds Payable	\$942,278
Capital Lease Payable	50,895
Compensated Abscesses	31,780
Total Long-Term Liabilities	(1,024,953)
TOTAL NET ASSETS -	
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$777,414

$\frac{\text{MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN}}{\text{STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES}}{\frac{\text{GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS}}{\text{FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004}}$

	Consul	Other	Total
REVENUES	General Fund	Governmental Funds	Governmental Funds
Local Sources	\$151,845	\$347,985	\$499,830
State Sources	4,673,419	14,169	4,687,588
Federal Sources	97,810	63,835	161,645
Total Revenues	\$4,923,074	\$425,989	\$5,349,063
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Current:			
Instruction	3,357,483	0	3,357,483
Student Services	263,492	0	263,492
Instructional Support	187,269	0	187,269
General Administration	337,689	0	337,689
School Administration	339,129	0	339,129
Business Administration	11,937	0	11,937
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	544,550	0	544,550
Transportation	160,039	0	160,039
Special Revenue	0	247,537	247,537
Debt Service	0	167,520	167,520
Total Expenditures	\$5,201,588	\$415,057	\$5,616,645
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues			
Over (Under) Expenditures	(\$278,514)	\$10,932	(\$267,582)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	90,264	0	90,264
Net Change in Fund Balance	(\$188,250)	\$10,932	(\$177,318)
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	378,428	88,942	467,370
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$190,178	\$99,874	\$290,052

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds	(\$177,318)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlay in the current period.	(133,240)
Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. This is the amount of repayments reported as	015.445
expenditures in the governmental funds.	215,447
Proceeds from Capital Lease	(76,342)
Change in accrued interest on long-term liabilities	(7,703)
Decrease in accrued compensated absences	4,790
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	(\$174,366)

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS FIDUCIARY FUND JUNE 30, 2004

ASSETS Cash and Cash Equivalents	Trust & Agency \$35,671	Private Purpose Trusts	Total \$38,666
<u>LIABILITIES</u> Due to Student Groups	35,671	0	35,671
NET ASSETS - HELD IN TRUST FOR OTHERS	\$0	\$2,995	\$2,995

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS FIDUCIARY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	Private Purpose Trusts
<u>REVENUE</u>	
Interest	\$23
Donations	1,505
Total Revenue	\$1,528
EXPENDITURES Scholarships	2,121
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(\$593)
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	3,588
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$2,995

1) REPORTING ENTITY

The accompanying basic financial statements have been prepared in accordance with criteria established by the GASB for determining the various governmental organizations to be included in the reporting entity. These criteria include oversight responsibility, scope of public service, and special financing arrangements. Based on application of the criteria, the entity does not contain component units.

The District receives funding from local, state, federal and interdistrict government sources and must comply with the accompanying requirements of these funding source entities. However, the District is not included in any other governmental "reporting entity" body that has separate legal standing and is fiscally independent of the governmental entities. As such, the Board of Education has decision-making authority, the authority to levy taxes, and determine its budget, the power to designate management, the ability to significantly influence operations and primary accountability for fiscal matters.

2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of Morrice Area Schools conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to school districts. The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies:

In June 1999 the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments. Certain of the significant changes in the Statement include the following:

A Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section to provide an analysis of the District's overall financial position and results of operations.

Financial statements prepared with full accrual accounting for all of the District's activities.

A change in the fund financial statements to focus on the major funds.

These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements and notes to the financial statements

A) BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENTS

The District's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the District as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the District's major funds). The government-wide financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business type. All of the District's activities are classified as governmental activities. Fiduciary funds are not included in the government-wide financial statements

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, the governmental activities column is presented on a consolidated basis and is reported on a full-accrual economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The District's net assets are reported in three parts: invested in capital assets net of related debt; restricted net assets; and unrestricted net assets. The District first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the District's functions. General government revenues also support the functions. The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses by related program revenues, operating and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary grants. The net costs by function are normally covered by general revenue (property taxes, state and federal sources, interest income, etc.).

The District does not allocate indirect costs. Inter-fund transactions have been eliminated in the government-wide financial statements.

2) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

B) BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accounts of the District are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, and expenditures. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds are grouped, in the general-purpose financial statements in this report, into five generic fund types in two broad fund categories as follows:

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are those funds through which most school district functions typically are financed. The acquisition, use, and balances of the District's expendable financial resources and the related current liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds.

General Fund

The General Fund is used to record the general operations of the District pertaining to education and those operations not provided for in other funds. Included are all transactions related to the approved current operating budget.

Special Revenue Funds

Special Revenue Funds are used to segregate the transactions of particular activities from regular revenue and expenditure accounts. The District maintains full control of these funds. The District maintains two school service funds: Food Service and Athletic Funds.

Debt Retirement Fund

The Debt Retirement Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest, and related costs.

Capital Projects Fund

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for the acquisition and construction of major facilities by the School District.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net assets and changes in net assets. The District's fiduciary funds consist of agency funds which are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The agency funds are used to account for amount held for student and employee groups.

C) BASIS OF ACCOUNTING/MEASUREMENT FOCUS

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental fund types and expendable trust funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Accrual

Governmental activity in the government-wide financial statements is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

2) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

C) BASIS OF ACCOUNTING/MEASUREMENT FOCUS (Continued)

Modified Accrual

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual; i.e., both measurable and available. "Available" means collectible within 60 days of year end. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. The exception to this general rule is that principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt is recognized when due.

Those revenues susceptible to accrual are property taxes, state aid, interest revenue, grants and charges for services. Other revenue is recorded when received.

The District reports deferred revenue on its governmental funds balance sheet. Deferred revenues arise when potential revenue does not meet both the "measurable" and "available" criteria for recognition in the current period. Deferred revenues also arise when the District receives resources before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when both revenue recognition criteria are met, or when the government has a legal claim to the resources, the liability for deferred revenue is removed from the combined balance sheet and revenue is recognized.

D) CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The District considers highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

Investments are reported at fair value which is determined using selected bases. Short-term investments are reported at cost, which approximates fair value. Securities traded on a national exchange are valued at the last reported sales price and investments that do not have an established market are reported at estimated fair value. Cash deposits are reported at carrying amount which reasonably estimates fair value.

E) PREPAID ASSETS

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2004, are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amount is recorded at the time of the purchase and an expenditure/expense is reported in the year in which services are consumed.

F) INVENTORY

On government-wide financial statements are stated at cost and are expensed when used.

On fund financial statements inventories are stated at cost. Inventory in governmental funds consists of expendable supplies held for consumption.

G) CAPITAL ASSETS

General capital assets are those assets not specifically related to activities reported in the proprietary funds. These assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net assets but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

2) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

G) <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u> (Continued)

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) using a \$5,000 capitalization threshold and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The School District maintains a capitalization threshold of one hundred dollars. The School District does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an assets life are not. Interest incurred during the construction of capital assets is also capitalized.

All reported capital assets are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	Governmental Activities Estimated Lives
Buildings and Improvements	20 – 50 years
Furniture and Equipment	5 – 10 years
Vehicles and Buses	5 years

H) INTERFUND BALANCES

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables." These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities columns of the statement of net assets.

I) COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The School District reports compensated absences in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 16, "Accounting for Compensated Absences." Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the termination payment method. An accrual for earned sick leave is made to the extent that it is probable that the benefits will result in termination payments. The liability is based on the School District's past experience of making termination payments.

The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements.

For governmental fund financial statements the current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount expected to be paid using expendable available resources. These amounts, if any, are recorded in the account "compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated unpaid leave are paid. The noncurrent portion of the liability is not reported. In proprietary funds, the entire amount of compensated absences is reported as a fund liability.

J) ACCRUED LIABILITIES AND LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements.

2) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

J) ACCRUED LIABILITIES AND LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

In general, payables and accrued liabilities that will be paid from governmental funds are reported on the governmental fund financial statements regardless of whether they will be liquidated with current resources. However, claims and judgments, the noncurrent portion of capital leases, compensated absences, contractually required pension contributions and special termination benefits that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they will be paid with current, expendable, available financial resources. In general, payments made within sixty days after year end are considered to have been made with current available financial resources. Bonds and other long-term obligations that will be paid from governmental funds are not recognized as a liability in the fund financial statements until due.

K) FUND BALANCE RESERVES

The School District reserves those portions of fund equity which are legally segregated for a specific future use or which do not represent available expendable resources and therefore are not available for appropriation or expenditure. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund equity which is available for appropriation in future periods. Fund equity reserves have been established for inventories.

L) NET ASSETS

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the School District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

M) ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

N) BUDGETARY DATA

The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the State of Michigan Budget Act and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within an established timetable. All funds, other than agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The legal level of budgetary control has been established by the Board of Education at the function level. Any budgetary modifications may only be made by resolution of the Board of Education.

The School District follows these procedures in establishing the budgets for the individual funds as reflected in the financial statements.

- 1) Prior to June 30, the Superintendent submits to the School Board a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing on July 1.
- 2) A public hearing is conducted during June to obtain taxpayer comments.
- 3) Prior to June 30, the budget is legally enacted through passage of a resolution.
- 4) For purposes of meeting emergency needs of the School District, transfer of appropriations may be made by the authorization of the Superintendent. Such transfers of appropriations must be approved by the Board of Education at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

2) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

N) <u>BUDGETARY DATA</u> (Continued)

- 5) The School Superintendent is charged with general supervision of the budget and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities.
- 6) During the year the budget is monitored, and amendments to the budget resolution are made when deemed necessary.

3) STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY – BUDGET VIOLATIONS

P.A. 621 of 1978, Section 18 (1), as amended provides that a local unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated.

In the body of the financial statements, the School District's actual expenditures and budgeted expenditures for the budgetary funds have been shown on a functional basis. The approved budgets of the School District for these budgetary funds were adopted to the functional level.

During the year ended June 30, 2004, the School incurred expenditures in certain budgetary funds which were in excess of the amounts appropriated.

4) <u>DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS</u>

Michigan Compiled Laws, Section 129.91, authorizes the District to deposit and invest in the accounts of Federally insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations; bonds, securities and other direct obligations of the United States, or any agency or instrumentality of the United States; United States government or Federal agency obligation repurchase agreements; bankers' acceptance of United States banks; commercial paper rated by two standard rating agencies within the two highest classifications, which mature not more than 270 days after the date of purchase; obligations of the State of Michigan or its political subdivisions which are rated investment grade; and mutual funds composed of investment vehicles which are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan. Financial institutions eligible for deposit of public funds must maintain an office in Michigan.

Protection of the School District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

The following information classifies deposits and investments by categories of risk as defined by GASB Statement No. 3, "Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments and Reverse Repurchase Agreements."

Deposits - The Board of Education authorized the following financial institutions for the deposit of the District's funds for the year ended June 30, 2004:

The District had petty cash of \$150.00 classified as cash and cash equivalents.

The District's deposits are in accordance with statutory authority.

At June 30, 2004, the carrying amount of the School District's deposits was \$773,264 and the bank balance was \$848,623. \$152,475 of the bank balance was covered by federal depository insurance and \$696,148 was uninsured and uncollateralized.

4) <u>DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS</u> (Continued)

Investments - The School District's investments are required to be categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the District at June 30, 2004. Category 1 includes investments that are insured or registered or for which the securities are held by the School District or its agent in the School District's name. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which securities are held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the School District's name. Category 3 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the counterparty, or its trust department or agent but not in the School District's name.

The District had no investments at June 30, 2004.

5) PROPERTY TAXES

The School District levies its property taxes on December 1 and various municipalities collect its property taxes and remit them to the District through February. The delinquent real property taxes of the District are purchased by the County, and delinquent personal property taxes continue to be collected by the municipalities and recorded as revenue as they are collected. The county sells tax notes, the proceeds of which have been used to pay the District for these delinquent real property taxes. These delinquent real property taxes have been recorded as revenue in the current year.

6) RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2004, consist of taxes, accounts (fees), intergovernmental grants and interest. All receivables are considered collectible in full due to the ability to foreclose for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of State programs, and the current year guarantee of federal funds.

A summary of the principal items of intergovernmental receivables (due from other governmental units) follows:

GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		MOUNT
State Aid	\$	843,215
Federal Grants		92,227
TOTAL	\$	935,442

7) UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

The District is subject to the Michigan Employment Security Act and has elected the reimbursement method of financing. Under this method, the District must reimburse the Employment Commission for all benefits charged against the District for the year. As of June 30, 2004, the District had no estimated claims payable in conjunction with the program.

8) <u>SHORT-TERM DEBT</u>

The District borrowed \$900,000 at 1.54% interest per annum on August 22, 2003, from Chemical Bank on a State Aid Anticipation Note. The short-term note proceeds were used to meet cash flow needs. The note matures August 21, 2004.

9) CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004, was as follows:

	BALANCE			BALANCE
	JULY 1, 2003	ADDITIONS	DEDUCTIONS	JUNE 30, 2004
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES				
Buildings and Improvements	\$3,740,414	\$0	\$0	\$3,740,414
Land Improvements	1,074,557	0	0	1,074,557
Equipment and Furniture	31,607	0	0	31,607
Vehicles	332,870	0	0	332,870
Totals at Historical Cost	\$5,179,448	\$0	\$0	\$5,179,448
Less: Accumulated Depreciation				
Buildings and Improvements	(2,194,474)	(67,174)	0	(2,261,648)
Land Improvements	(988,431)	(49,403)	0	(1,037,834)
Equipment and Furniture	(25,682)	(1,396)	0	(27,078)
Vehicles	(317,603)	(15,267)	0	(332,870)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(\$3,526,190)	(\$133,240)	\$0	(\$3,659,430)
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES				
CAPITAL ASSETS - NET	\$1,653,258	(\$133,240)	\$0	\$1,520,018

Depreciation expense, when appropriate, was allocated to governmental functions. Depreciation expense that was not allocated appears on the statement of activities as "unallocated". Depreciation was recorded on the statement of activities as follows:

Instruction	\$ 0
Support Services	16,789
Food Service	1,031
Athletics	2,789
Unallocated	112,631
TOTAL DEPRECIATION EXPENSE	\$ 133,240
TOTAL DEPRECIATION EXPENSE	\$ 133,240

10) GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT

A) 1992 Serial Bonds

Morrice Area Schools issued 1992 Serial Bonds dated August 1, 1992 in the aggregate amount of \$350,000.00. These bonds require annual payments of principal and interest. The interest rates range from 6.0% to 6.3% per annum. The principal balance at June 30, 2004 was \$150,000.

B) 1994 Energy Conservation Bonds

Morrice Area Schools issued 1994 Energy Conservation Bonds dated June 1, 1994 in the aggregate amount of \$580,000.00. These bonds require annual payments of principal and interest. The interest rates range from 5.65% to 5.90% per annum. The principal balance at June 30, 2004 was \$0.

10) GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

C) 1997 Serial Bonds

Morrice Area Schools issued 1997 Serial Bonds dated November 1, 1997 in the aggregate amount of \$1,125,000.00. These bonds require annual payments of principal and interest. The interest rates range from 4.20% to 5.10% per annum. The principal balance at June 30, 2004 was \$765,000.

D) Durant Resolution Package Bonds

Morrice Area Schools issued Durant Resolution Bonds on November 24, 1998 in the amount of \$56,485.60 at the interest rate of 4.7613%. The bonds are a legal obligation of the school district but the annual State of Michigan appropriation is the only revenue source for making the annual debt service payments on the bonds. If the legislature fails to appropriate the bonds, the district is under no obligation for payment. The balance at June 30, 2004 was \$27,278 The legislature refinanced the repayment schedule during the year ended June 30, 2003.

E) Capital Leases Payable

Morrice Area Schools is indebted to Shiawassee Regional Education Service District for the purchase of 98 computers. The leases originated August 7, 2003 in the total amount of \$76,342, bearing interest at approximately 2% per annum. The leases calls for 3 annual payments of \$25,447 plus interest.

F) Annual Principal Requirements

The annual principal requirements for all debts outstanding as of June 30, 2004 are as follows:

	BONDS PAYABLE	CAPITAL LEASE	INTEREST	TOTAL
June 30, 2005	\$120,000	\$25,447	\$47,324	\$192,771
June 30, 2006	122,067	25,448	41,613	189,128
June 30, 2007	127,165	0	34,943	162,108
June 30, 2008	127,268	0	28,368	155,636
June 30, 2009	87,376	0	21,744	109,120
June 30, 2010-2013	358,402	0	47,626	406,028
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$942,278	\$50,895	\$221,618	\$1,214,791

The payment dates of sick days payable is undeterminable.

The interest expenditures on long-term obligations for the year were \$57,139.

G) Changes in General Long-Term Debt

	BALANCE			BALANCE	AMOUNT DUE
Governmental Activities:	JULY 1, 2003	ADDITIONS	DEDUCTIONS	JUNE 30, 2004	IN ONE YEAR
Durant Bonds	\$27,278	\$0	\$0	\$27,278	\$0
General Obligation Bonds	1,105,000	0	190,000	915,000	120,000
Capital Lease Payable	0	76,342	25,447	50,895	25,447
Compensated Absences	36,570	0	4,790	31,780	0
Total Governmental					
<u>Activities</u>	\$1,168,848	\$76,342	\$220,237	\$1,024,953	\$145,447

11) RESTATEMENT OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE NET ASSETS

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004, the School District implemented GASB Statement 34. As a result, capital assets and accumulated depreciation were recorded for the first time. Net assets were restated as of July 1, 2003 for the recording of accumulated depreciation. See July 1, 2003 balances illustrated in Note 9.

12) INTERFUND ACTIVITY

Interfund balances at June 30, 2004 consisted of the following:

DUE FROM	
	SPECIAL
2	REVENUE
	FUND
General Fund	\$7,724

These balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting systems, and (3) payments between funds are made.

13) DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

Plan Description

The School District participates in the Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPSERS), a statewide, cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit public employee retirement system governed by the State of Michigan that covers substantially all employees of the School District. The MPSERS provides retirement, survivor and disability benefits to plan members and their beneficiaries. The MPSERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the MPSERS. That report may be obtained by writing to the MPSERS at 7150 Harris Drive, PO Box 30673, Lansing, MI 48909-8103.

Funding Policy

Employer contributions to the MPSERS result from the implementing effects of the School Finance Reform Act. Under these procedures, each school district is required to contribute the full actuarial funding contribution amount to fund pension benefits, plus an additional amount to fund retiree health care benefit amounts on a cash disbursement basis. he pension benefit rate totals 12.99 percent for the period July 1, 2003 through September 30, 2003 and 12.99 percent for the period October 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004 of the covered payroll to the plan. Basic plan members make no contributions, but contribute to a member investment plan (MIP) at rates ranging from 3 percent to 4.3 percent of gross wages. The School District's contributions to the MPSERS pension plan for the years ended June 30, 2004, 2003 and 2002 were \$405,397, \$408,858, and \$366,152, respectively.

Postemployment Benefits

Under the MPSERS Act, all retirees participating in the MPSERS pension plan have the option of continuing health, dental and vision coverage. Retirees having these coverages contribute an amount equivalent to the monthly cost for Part B Medicare and 10 percent of the monthly premium amount for the health, dental and vision coverages. Required contributions for postemployment health care benefits are included as part of the School District's total contribution to the MPSERS pension plan discussed above.

14) RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss in conducing its operations, from property and casualty theft, damage to various tort and liability claims and workman's compensation claims. The District limits its exposure to such claims through its participation in and payments of premiums to SET-SEG, Inc. Insurance Trust. This pool maintains a loss fund and is also required by the terms of the participation agreement to obtain insurance and reinsurance as necessary.

The terms of the participation agreement with the pool indicate that, should losses of the pool incurred in a given coverage period exceed the loss fund and the aggregate excess reinsurance, the fund may access its member districts on a pro-rata basis to cover excess losses. In past years the loss fund has exceeded the amount necessary to maintain prudent loss reserves, resulting in annual premium refunds to member districts. The District's management believes that participation in this pool provides sufficient coverage to protect the District from any significant adverse financial impact.

15) CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS

The District participates in a number of federally assisted grant programs. These programs are subject to program compliance audits by the grantor agencies.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES

$\frac{\text{IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL}}{\text{GENERAL FUND}}$

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	Budgeted A	Amounts		
	Original	Final	Actual	Variance With Final Budget
<u>REVENUES</u>				
Local Sources	\$222,402	\$222,402	\$151,845	(\$70,557)
State Sources	4,785,586	4,785,586	4,673,419	(112,167)
Federal Sources	128,445	128,445	97,810	(30,635)
Total Revenues	\$5,136,433	\$5,136,433	\$4,923,074	(\$213,359)
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
Current:				
Instruction	3,438,094	3,397,017	3,357,483	39,534
Student Services	273,949	268,566	263,492	5,074
Instructional Support	229,529	225,971	187,269	38,702
General Administration	348,075	342,659	337,689	4,970
School Administration	342,525	340,751	339,129	1,622
Business Administration	10,000	10,000	11,937	(1,937)
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	579,937	567,361	544,550	22,811
Transportation	176,257	175,056	160,039	15,017
Total Expenditures	\$5,398,366	\$5,327,381	\$5,201,588	\$125,793
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	(\$261,933)	(\$190,948)	(\$278,514)	(\$87,566)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	21,112	18,740	90,264	71,524
Net Change in Fund Balance	(\$240,821)	(\$172,208)	(\$188,250)	(\$16,042)
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING			378,428	
FUND BALANCE - ENDING			\$190,178	

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN COMBINING BALANCE SHEET OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AS OF JUNE 30, 2004

	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Other Governmental Funds
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$30,314	\$52,475	\$82,789
Due from Other Funds	7,724	0	7,724
Due from Other Governmental Units	1,259	0	1,259
Inventory	8,102	0	8,102
TOTAL ASSETS	\$47,399	\$52,475	\$99,874
FUND BALANCES			
Reserved For:			
Inventory	\$8,102	\$0	\$8,102
Debt Retirement	0	52,475	52,475
Unreserved:			
Undesignated, Reported In:			
School Service Fund	39,297	0	39,297
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	\$47,399	\$52,475	\$99,874

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total Other Governmental Funds
REVENUES Least Section 1	¢175 (02	¢172.202	\$2.47.005
Local Sources	\$175,693	\$172,292	\$347,985
State Sources	14,169	0	14,169
Federal Sources	63,835	0	63,835
Total Revenues	\$253,697	\$172,292	\$425,989
EXPENDITURES Special Revenue Debt Service Total Expenditures Net Change in Fund Balance	247,537 0 \$247,537 \$6,160	0 167,520 \$167,520 \$4,772	247,537 167,520 \$415,057 \$10,932
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING NET ASSETS - ENDING	41,239 \$47,399	47,703 \$52,475	88,942 \$99,874

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN SPECIAL REVENUE FUND COMBINING BALANCE SHEET AS OF JUNE 30, 2004

	FOOD SERVICES	ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES	TOTALS
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$22,382	\$7,932	\$30,314
Due from Other Funds	7,724	0	7,724
Due from Other Governmental Units	1,259	0	1,259
Inventory	8,102	0	8,102
TOTAL ASSETS	\$39,467	\$7,932	\$47,399
FUND EQUITY			
Reserved for Inventory	\$8,102	\$0	\$8,102
Unreserved and Undesignated	31,365	7,932	39,297
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$39,467	\$7,932	\$47,399

$\underline{\mathsf{MORRICE}}\ \mathsf{AREA}\ \mathsf{SCHOOLS}\ \mathsf{-}\ \mathsf{MORRICE}, \underline{\mathsf{MICHIGAN}}$

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND

<u>CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	FOOD SERVICES	ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES	TOTALS
REVENUES			
<u>Local Sources</u>			
Cafeteria Sales	\$127,976	\$0	\$127,976
Athletic Activities	0	30,260	30,260
Earnings on Investments and Deposits	115	46	161
Other Local Sources	722	16,574	17,296
Total Local Sources	\$128,813	\$46,880	\$175,693
State Sources			
State Reimbursements	14,169	0	14,169
Federal Sources			
Federal Reimbursements	48,162	0	48,162
Commodities	15,673	0	15,673
Total Federal Sources	\$63,835	\$0	\$63,835
Total Revenues	\$206,817	\$46,880	\$253,697
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Salaries - Non-Professional	50,291	380	50,671
Insurances	1,405	0	1,405
Fica, Retirement, Etc.	10,380	0	10,380
Purchased Services	5,156	16,286	21,442
Supplies and Materials	15,736	14,029	29,765
Capital Outlay	14,133	8,344	22,477
Other	108,115	3,282	111,397
Total Expenditures	\$205,216	\$42,321	\$247,537
EXCESS REVENUES OVER			
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	\$1,601	\$4,559	\$6,160
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$37,866	\$3,373	\$41,239
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$39,467	\$7,932	\$47,399

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN DEBT RETIREMENT FUND COMBINING BALANCE SHEET AS OF JUNE 30, 2004

	1992 DEBT	1997 DEBT	TOTALS
ASSETS Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$14,426	\$38,049	\$52,475
TOTAL ASSETS	\$14,426	\$38,049	\$52,475
FUND EQUITY Reserved for Debt Retirement	\$14,426	\$38,049	\$52,475
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$14,426	\$38,049	\$52,475

$\underline{\mathsf{MORRICE}}\ \mathsf{AREA}\ \mathsf{SCHOOLS}\ \mathsf{-}\ \mathsf{MORRICE}, \underline{\mathsf{MICHIGAN}}$

DEBT RETIREMENT FUND

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND

<u>CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE</u> <u>FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004</u>

	1992 DEBT	1997 DEBT	TOTALS
REVENUES			
<u>Local Sources</u> Property Taxes	\$35,860	\$136,432	\$172,292
EXPENDITURES			
Redemption of Bonds	30,000	85,000	115,000
Interest Expense	11,275	40,545	51,820
Agent and Other Fees	400	300	700
Total Expenditures	\$41,675	\$125,845	\$167,520
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER)			
EXPENDITURES	(\$5,815)	\$10,587	\$4,772
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$20,241	\$27,462	\$47,703
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$14,426	\$38,049	\$52,475

INDIVIDUAL FUND SCHEDULES OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES

$\frac{\text{MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN}}{\text{GENERAL FUND}}$

REVENUES FROM	
Local Sources	
Property Tax Levy	\$127,408
Earnings on Investments and Deposits	2,990
Community Education	11,660
Tuition	2,710
Rentals	338
Other Local Revenues	6,739
Total Revenues from Local Sources	\$151,845
State Sources	
Unrestricted	
State Aid - Foundation - Sec. 20	4,259,520
Restricted	
Special Education	226,471
Adult Education	77,592
Vocational Education - Sec. 61a.1	1,976
Durant	4,270
Gifted and Talented	297
At Risk	75,773
Other State Grants	597
Grants from ISD	26,923
Total Revenues from State Sources	\$4,673,419
Federal Sources	
Title I	61,668
Technology Literacy	1,493
Improving Teacher Quality	28,483
Other Grants	6,166
Total Revenues from Federal Sources	\$97,810
Total Revenues	\$4,923,074
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	
County Special Education Tax	97,438
Transfers from Other Districts	15,240
Total Other Financing Sources	\$112,678
TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER	A
FINANCING SOURCES	\$5,035,752

$\frac{\text{MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN}}{\text{GENERAL FUND}}$

STRUCTION	
BASIC PROGRAMS	
Elementary	
Salaries - Professional	\$935,39
Salaries - Non-Professional	44,98
Insurance	203,52
Fica, Retirement, Etc.	204,87
Other Benefits	18,95
Purchased Services	15,89
Supplies and Materials	21,39
Capital Outlay	20
Other	3,15
Total Elementary	\$1,448,3
High School	
Salaries - Professional	808,14
Salaries - Non-Professional	33,8
Insurances	181,54
Fica, Retirement, Etc.	181,4
Other Benefits	18,9:
Purchased Services	38,90
Supplies and Materials	37,60
Other	2,50
Total High School	\$1,303,10
Total Basic Programs	\$2,751,48
ADDED NEEDS	
Special Education	
Salaries - Professional	214,02
Salaries - Non-Professional	18,72
Insurances	33,90
Fica, Retirement, Etc.	50,3
Supplies and Materials	40
Other	25
Total Special Education	\$317,74
Compensatory Education	
Salaries - Professional	55,72
Salaries - Non-Professional	14,8
Insurances	12,32
Fica, Retirement, Etc.	13,55
Purchased Services	
	1,80
Supplies and Materials	1,84
Capital Outlay	11,33
Total Compensatory Education	\$111,45

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN GENERAL FUND

ADDED NEEDS (Continued) Vocational Education	
Salaries - Professional	\$47,06
Salaries - Non-Professional	42
Insurances	9,85
Fica, Retirement, Etc.	9,91
Purchased Services	1,20
Supplies and Materials	65
Total Vocational Education	\$69,10
Total Added Needs	\$498,30
ADULT EDUCATION	
Salaries - Professional	64,53
Salaries - Non-Professional	56
Insurances	12,02
Fica, Retirement, Etc.	13,52
Purchased Services	3,91
Supplies and Materials	12,80
Other	32
Total Adult Education	\$107,69
TOTAL INSTRUCTION	\$3,357,48
JPPORT SERVICES	
Student Services	
Salaries - Professional	184,51
Insurances	38,30
Fica, Retirement, Etc.	37,31
Purchased Services	7*
Supplies and Materials	2,50
Other	
Total Student Services	\$263,49
Instructional Staff	
Salaries - Professional	22,89
Salaries - Non-Professional	34,3:
Insurances	11,88
Fica, Retirement, Etc.	11,6
Purchased Services	44,00
Supplies and Materials	24,5
Capital Outlay	37,6
Other	

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN GENERAL FUND

JPPORT SERVICES (Continued)	
General Administration	
Board of Education	
Salaries - Professional	\$5,19
Purchased Services	47,66
Supplies and Materials	2,22
Other	2,27
Total Board of Education	\$57,34
Executive Administration	
Salaries - Professional	88,43
Salaries - Non-Professional	95,94
Insurances	38,27
Fica, Retirement, Etc.	38,89
Other Benefits	2,40
Purchased Services	12,95
Supplies and Materials	1,29
Capital Outlay	73
Other	1,40
Total Executive Administration	\$280,34
Total General Administration	\$337,68
School Administration	
Salaries - Professional	149,78
Salaries - Non-Professional	82,76
Insurances	48,27
Fica, Retirement, Etc.	48,60
Purchased Services	7,27
Supplies and Materials	14
Capital Outlay	1,00
Other	1,26
Total School Administration	\$339,12
Business Office	
Other	11,93
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	
Salaries - Professional	78,71
Salaries - Non-Professional	82,64
Insurances	33,49
Fica, Retirement, Etc.	33,67
Purchased Services	284,52
Supplies and Materials	27,73
Capital Outlay	2,66
Other	1,09
Total Operation and Maintenance of Plant	\$544,55

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN GENERAL FUND

SUPPORT SERVICES (Continued)	
<u>Transportation</u>	
Salaries - Professional	\$23,920
Salaries - Non-Professional	59,619
Insurances	12,800
Fica, Retirement, Etc.	19,545
Purchased Services	19,004
Supplies and Materials	23,643
Capital Outlay	1,217
Other	291
Total Transportation	\$160,039
TOTAL SUPPORT SERVICES	\$1,844,105
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$5,201,588
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,201,366
OTHER FINANCING USES	
Interest on Loan	15,169
Other	7,245
Total Other Financing Uses	\$22,414
-	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER	
FINANCING USES	\$5,224,002

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN TRUST AND AGENCY FUNDS SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - STUDENT ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	DUE TO (FROM)			DUE TO (FROM)
	STUDENT GROUPS	DECEMBE	DIGDLIDGEMENTO	STUDENT GROUPS
STUDENT GROUPS Academic Challenge Team	JULY 1, 2003 \$38	RECEIPTS \$0	DISBURSEMENTS	JUNE 30, 2004
Band Fund	\$36 47	0	\$0 0	\$38 47
Baseball Team	0	630	0	630
	0	738	350	388
Boys Basketball Team Bus Prof Amer	0	234	156	78
Cheerleaders	46	4,071	2,805	1,312
Class of 2000	6	4,071	2,803	6
Class of 2000 Class of 2002	830	3	0	833
Class of 2002 Class of 2003	1,163	4	0	1,167
Class of 2003 Class of 2004	1,730	1,452	2,921	261
Class of 2004 Class of 2005	914	3,244	2,534	1,624
Class of 2005 Class of 2006	489	110	35	564
Class of 2007	663	2	60	605
Class of 2007	755	15	60	710
Class of 2009	0	192	0	192
Class of 2009 Class of 2010	525	2	0	527
Elementary - Computer Fund	3,490	12	1,395	2,107
Elementary - Kindergarten Rooms	22	100	116	2,107
Elementary - Library	3,092	6,291	5,315	4,068
Elementary - Miscellaneous	1,666	719	641	1,744
Elementary - Student Council	157	1,132	427	862
Elementary - Young Authors	1,314	723	1,473	564
Environ Project	25	0	0	25
Farm Museum Fund	994	0	0	994
Football Team	0	1,260	0	1,260
Hosts Program	305	21	0	326
HS - Art	6	487	400	93
HS - Choir	2,662	2,050	1,276	3,436
HS - Library	172	91	0	263
HS - Miscellaneous	1,314	700	819	1,195
JH - Careers	529	2,443	1,734	1,238
JH - Quest	76	0	0	76
JH - Reading	279	1	0	280
JH - Student Council	695	284	175	804
National Honor Society	217	\$796	\$828	185
Newspaper	260	351	140	471
Perkin - Grade 5	817	243	520	540
Preschool - Arts	0	1,745	86	1,659
SADD	468	2	0	470
Shop	769	0	0	769
Softball Team	0	342	0	342
STAND	370	1	0	371

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN TRUST AND AGENCY FUNDS SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS - STUDENT ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

	DUE TO (FROM)			DUE TO (FROM)
	STUDENT GROUPS			STUDENT GROUPS
STUDENT GROUPS	JULY 1, 2003	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	JUNE 30, 2004
Student Bookstore	\$67	\$0	\$0	\$67
Student Council	879	3,628	3,506	1,001
Track Team	0	342	0	342
Volleyball Team	0	450	0	450
Yearbook	802	6,824	6,946	680
TOTAL	\$28,653	\$41,736	\$34,718	\$35,671

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUSTS STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

BALANCE - JULY 1, 2003	MORRICE SCHOOL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION	\$52
REVENUE Donations		400
EXPENDITURES Scholarship Awards		400
BALANCE - JUNE 30, 2004		\$52
BALANCE - JULY 1, 2003	SUSAN WINEGAR SCHOLARSHIP	\$1,435
REVENUE Interest		5
EXPENDITURES Scholarship Awards		100
BALANCE - JUNE 30, 2004		\$1,340
BALANCE - JULY 1, 2003	SHAW - STANLEY SCHOLARSHIP	\$6
BALANCE - JUNE 30, 2004		\$6
BALANCE - JULY 1, 2003	KITTI MOREY MEMORIAL	\$1,053
REVENUE Interest		4
EXPENDITURES Scholarship Awards		300
BALANCE - JUNE 30, 2004		\$757
BALANCE - JULY 1, 2003	D. FAHRENBACH SCHOLARSHIP	\$988
REVENUE Interest		14
EXPENDITURES Scholarship Awards		200
BALANCE - JUNE 30, 2004		\$802

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUSTS STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2004

BALANCE - JULY 1, 2003	PAT KAY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	\$0
REVENUE Donations		605
EXPENDITURES		621
Scholarship Awards <u>BALANCE - JUNE 30, 2004</u>		(\$16)
BALANCE - JULY 1, 2003	J. KINNEY SCHOLARSHIP	\$41
REVENUE		
Donations <u>EXPENDITURES</u>		500
Scholarship Awards BALANCE - JUNE 30, 2004		500 \$41
DILLINCE JONE 30, 2001	MISC. ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP	Ψ1
BALANCE - JULY 1, 2003 BALANCE - JUNE 30, 2004		\$13 \$13
DALANCE - JUNE 30, 2004	ALL SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS	\$13
BALANCE - JUNE 30, 2004		\$2,995

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN GENERAL OBLIGATION SERIAL BONDS SCHEDULE OF BOND PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST REQUIREMENTS AS OF JUNE 30, 2004

1992 DEBT SERVICE FUND

DATE OF ISSUE - August 1, 1992

Original amount of issue - \$350,000.00

PAYMENT DATE	INTEREST AMOUNT NOVEMBER 1	INTEREST AMOUNT MAY 1	RATE	PRINCIPAL REQUIREMENT	TOTAL REQUIREMENT
2004-2005	\$4,707	\$4,707	6.25%	\$35,000	\$44,414
2005-2006	3,614	3,614	6.25%	35,000	42,228
2006-2007	2,520	2,520	6.30%	40,000	45,040
2007-2008	1,260	1,260	6.30%	40,000	42,520
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$12,101	\$12,101		\$150,000	\$174,202

1997 DEBT SERVICE FUND

DATE OF ISSUE - November 1, 1997

Original amount of issue - \$1,125,000.00

	INTEREST AMOUNT	INTEREST AMOUNT		PRINCIPAL	TOTAL
PAYMENT DATE	NOVEMBER 1	MAY 1	RATE	REQUIREMENT	REQUIREMENT
2004-2005	\$18,403	\$18,403	4.50%	\$85,000	\$121,806
2005-2006	16,490	16,490	4.60%	85,000	117,980
2006-2007	14,535	14,535	4.65%	85,000	114,070
2007-2008	12,559	12,559	4.70%	85,000	110,118
2008-2009	10,561	10,561	4.80%	85,000	106,122
2009-2010	8,521	8,521	4.90%	85,000	102,042
2010-2011	6,439	6,439	5.00%	85,000	97,878
2011-2012	4,314	4,314	5.05%	85,000	93,628
2012-2013	2,168	2,168	5.10%	85,000	89,336
TOTAL	\$93,990	\$93,990		\$765,000	\$952,980

MORRICE AREA SCHOOLS - MORRICE, MICHIGAN GENERAL OBLIGATION SERIAL BONDS SCHEDULE OF BOND PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST REQUIREMENTS AS OF JUNE 30, 2004

1998 DURANT RESOLUTION PACKAGE BONDS

DATE OF ISSUE - November 24, 1998 Original amount of issue - \$56,485.60

				TOTAL
	INTEREST	INTEREST	PRINCIPAL	FISCAL YEAR
	REQUIREMENT	RATE	REQUIREMENT	REQUIREMENTS
PAYMENT DATE - MAY 15TH				
2005	\$0	4.761353%	\$0	\$0
2006	932	4.761353%	2,067	2,999
2007	833	4.761353%	2,165	2,998
2008	730	4.761353%	2,268	2,998
2009	622	4.761353%	2,376	2,998
2010	509	4.761353%	2,489	2,998
2011	391	4.761353%	2,608	2,999
2012	3,706	4.761353%	10,443	14,149
2013	136	4.761353%	2,862	2,998
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$7,859		\$27,278	\$35,137



Lewis & Knopf, CPAs, P.C.

"Serving You with Trust and Integrity"

November 5, 2004

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Education of Morrice Area Schools

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Morrice Area Schools, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, which collectively comprise the Morrice Area Schools' basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon November 5, 2004. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Morrice Area Schools' financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to management of Morrice Area Schools, in a separate letter dated November 5, 2004.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Morrice Area Schools' internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that we have reported to management of Morrice Area Schools, in a separate letter dated November 5, 2004.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, Board of Education, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

LEWIS & KNOPF, P.C.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS



Lewis & Knopf, CPAs, P.C.

"Serving You with Trust and Integrity"

November 5, 2004

To the Board of Education of Morrice Area Schools

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Morrice Area Schools for the year ended June 30, 2004, we considered its internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Morrice Area Schools' ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

The following items of immaterial internal control or administrative consideration came to our attention.

CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS

1. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

P.A. 621 of 1978, Section 18 (1), as amended, provides that a local unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated. During the year ended June 30, 2004, Morrice Area Schools incurred expenditures in certain budgetary funds which were in excess of the amounts appropriated.

FUTURE ISSUES

1. Chart of Accounts

As you may be aware of, the Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI) has implemented a new upload application/database for financial reporting for districts. This new application/database is called the Financial Information Database (FID). For the fiscal year 2003 – 2004 you will be required to submit your financial data via the FID. The EDN/Form B submission process has been eliminated and is no longer available. The due date for the 2003 – 2004 FID submission is November 15, 2004.

A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the general purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above. However, none of the reportable conditions described above is believed to be a material weakness.

This report is intended for the information of Morrice Area Schools' Board of Education and management and should not be used for any other purpose. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

Levis + Knopf Pe LEWIS & KNOPF, P.C.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS